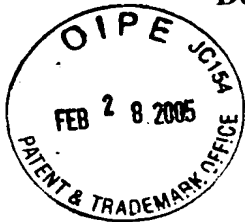


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AMENDMENT AND REPLY TO FINAL REJECTION

In reply to the Official Action mailed on August 25, 2004, please amend the above-referenced patent application as follows.

The amendments to the **claims** begin on **page 2**.

The **remarks** concerning the Applicant's amendments begin on **page 5**.